

Appl. No. : 10/675,589  
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### REMARKS

Prior to examination on the merits, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the foregoing amendments. As a result of the amendments listed above, Claims 1-17 have been canceled and Claims 18-32 have been added.

#### New Claims Have Been Added

New Claims 18-32 have been added. These claims are supported by the application as filed and, thus, no new matter has been added. Consideration of new Claims 18-32 is respectfully requested.

#### The Abstract Has Been Amended

The abstract has been amended. Specifically, the abstract has been amended to contain less than 150 words in compliance with M.P.E.P. § 608.01(b).

### CONCLUSION

The undersigned has made a good faith effort to place the claims in condition for immediate allowance. Nevertheless, if any undeveloped issues remain or if any issues require clarification, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicant's attorney, Curtiss C. Dosier at the number provided below, to resolve such issue promptly.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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